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SUBJECT: Delegation of Authority to Director of National Environmental

Satellite Service

TO: Financial Management Centers

The Administrator has initiated action to establish a position of Assistant Administrator for Satellites and to change the status of the National Environmental Satellite Service to that of an MLC headed by an Assistant Administrator. In order to streamline communications during the interim period pending approval of the reorganization and to prepare for the orderly partial transfer of authority from the Assistant Administrator for Oceanic and Atmospheric Services (OA) to the Assistant Administrator for Satellites, the Director of NESS is delegated authority to perform and approve the following activities previously performed or approved by OA:

- Land remote sensing transition planning
- Preparation of FY 1982 budget for satellite activities
- National Oceanic Satellite System (NOSS) planning and coordination, including leadership of NOAA's NOSS Program Management Group
- Resource and MBO reviews, Financial Operating Plan adjustments, reports and responses on personnel and travel adjustments, ceilings, freezes, etc.
- Relations with NOAA Offices of University, Congressional, and Public Affairs, General Counsel, and other staff offices regarding satellite matters
- Provision of information reports to the appropriate NOAA office, such as weekly reports for the Administrator and the Secretary, R&D financial report for NSF, and ADP and telecommunications reports
- Routine correspondence dealing with satellite matters only
- Whenever a matter primarily involving satellites also involves other programs being retained in OAS, coordinate and clear such items with the Assistant Administrator for OAS.

This delegation of authority does not include the following items, the responsibility for which shall remain with OA:

 Review of personnel actions by OA Personnel Management Advisory Committee (including priority placement panel, management training, and award recommendations)

- Memorandums of Understanding and other actions requiring the signature of an Assistant Administrator
- Approval of procurements over \$250,000

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5/28/50 Date

Approved:

Richard A. Frank Administrator 5/30/80 Date